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- SPECIAL STUDIES GROUP PRINCIPALS (KISSINGER, PACKARD, WHEELER, R ICHARDSON AND GENERAL CUSHMAN, ACTING FOR DCI) ON 14 JANUARY.

  MISSINGER ANNOUNCED HE HAD SHOWN COPY OF DRAFT TO THE PRESIDENT, WHO WE WAS FAVORABLY IMPRESSED. VNSSG REACTION WAS GENERALLY FAVORABLE, THOUGH ALL AGREED PAPER WAS A DRAFT AND SHOULD BE REVIEWED BY MISSION COMPONENTS, INCLUDING MACV, BEFORE BEING LOCKED UP IN FINAL FORM. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR FRANK COMMENTS, STERMER CRITICISMS AND SUGGESTIONS AFTER YOU HAVE KEKE HAD A CHANCE TO EXAMINE IT.
- 3. WHILE DRAFT BEING REVIEWED IN FIELD CERTAIN FOLLOW-ON ACTIONS WILL ALSO BE UNDERTAKEN. THESE WILL INCLUDE INITIATION OF SEVEN ADDITIONAL PROVINCE STUDIES, WITH ASSUMING RESPONSIBILITY FOR KIEN HOA (OTHER PROVINCES WILL BE QUANG NAM, KONTUM, KHANH HOA, BINH THUAN, BINH DUONG AND CHAU DOC). WORK WILL ALSO CONTINUE ON FIVE PROVINCES ALREADY STUDIED TO ADD GREATER DEPTH

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